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## COG – Special Features of Interest to Criticality Safety Practitioners



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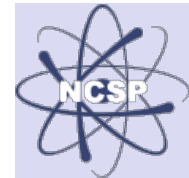
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- On-going R&D
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# What is COG?

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- **High-fidelity multi-particle transport code**
- **Extensively used in criticality safety applications at LLNL**
- **Financial support provided by the US DOE NCSP**
- **Maintained by the Nuclear Criticality Safety Division**



# COG10

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- Initial public release (January 2006)



[205] COG - Publicly Available Now to Criticality Safety Practitioners


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# COG Website

How do I get COG10?

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- or here




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## COG: A High Fidelity Multi-Particle Transport Code

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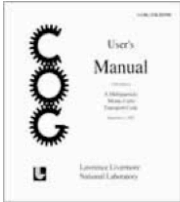
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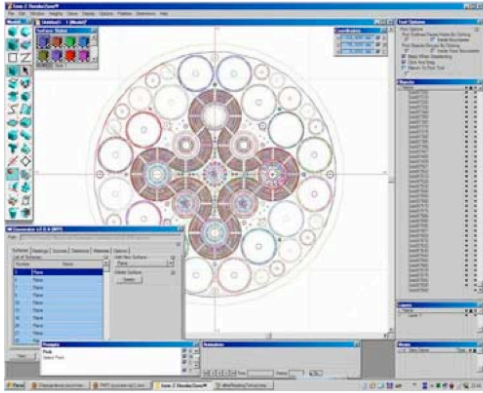
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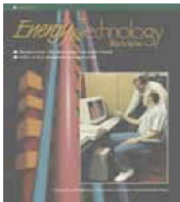
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# Why use COG?

## It is DOE O 414.1C compliant safety software!

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**SQA** *Software Project/Product Risk Grading and Inventory*

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Home -> Project Specific [?] **Nuclear Criticality Safety - COG [ O&B-Nuclear Operations ]** [Edit]

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**Privacy Option:** [?] Grading results for this project can be viewed by other projects: ☒ Yes ☐ No

**Software Development Control:** [?] How much control is there of this Software Development Project? ☐ None ☐ Minor ☒ Major

**Project Comments:** [?] [Edit]

**Safety Software:** [?] Is this Safety Software as defined in DOE Order 414.1C? ☒ Yes ☐ No

**Matrix Basis:** [?] Safety Software (Current)

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**Risk Consequence Reports**

[New Pending Report] [Version: 05-Nov-07] [?]

| Submitted Reports |                |           |           |      |                             |
|-------------------|----------------|-----------|-----------|------|-----------------------------|
| Matrix Basis      | Matrix Version | Created   | Submitted | Tier |                             |
| Safety Software   | 05-Nov-07      | 15-Jan-08 | 15-Jan-08 | 2    | <a href="#">View Report</a> |

**Likelihood of Failure Reports**

[New Pending Report] [Version: 17-Sep-08] [?]

| Submitted Reports |                |           |             |           |       |
|-------------------|----------------|-----------|-------------|-----------|-------|
| Matrix Basis      | Matrix Version | Created   | Dev Control | Submitted | Score |
| Safety Software   | 05-Nov-07      | 15-Jan-08 | Major       | 15-Jan-08 | 2.4   |

**Matrix Grade**  
[Version: 27-Aug-08]

| Tier 0 | RL1 | RL1 | RL1 |
|--------|-----|-----|-----|
| Tier 1 | RL3 | RL2 | RL2 |
| Tier 2 | RL4 | RL3 | RL3 |
| Tier 3 | RL4 | RL4 | RL3 |
| Tier 4 | RL4 | RL4 | RL4 |

Likelihood of Failure Rating: 0-2 2-8 8-16

**Grading Summary Reports**

- Full Report
- Printable Report
- Grade History
- Report History
- View Required Practices

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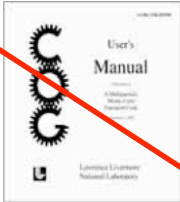
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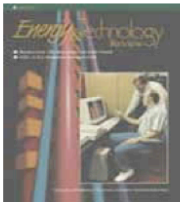
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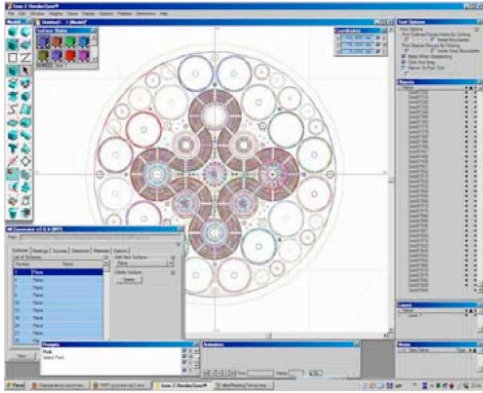
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# Why use COG?

## COG: A High Fidelity Multi-Particle Transport Code

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| <a href="#">LLNL-PRES-418844</a> | $^{233}\text{U}$ Benchmarks with a Comparison to COG and MCNP Results Using ENDF/B-VII.0<br>( <a href="#">click here to download COG <math>^{233}\text{U}</math> Inputs</a> )     | David P. Heinrichs                    | 11/03/2009 |
| <a href="#">LLNL-TR-433976</a>   | Validation of COG10 and ENDFB6R7 on the Surya Workstation for General Application to Highly Enriched Uranium Systems<br>( <a href="#">click here to download COG HEU Inputs</a> ) | Allan W. Krass and David P. Heinrichs | 09/16/2009 |
| <a href="#">README file</a>      | COG10 software installation README file   | Rich Buck                             | 06/02/2005 |

**90 COG U-233 ICSBEP input decks**

**358 COG HEU ICSBEP input decks**

**More coming soon!**

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# COG user-friendly features

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- Data block structure
- Options
  - ASSIGN-MC
  - SWEEP
  - VOLUME
  - SABLIB
  - MIX
  - REVOLUTION
  - PRISM
  - UNIT and FILL
  - TR

# Data block structure

## TITLE

PU-MET-FAST-001: JEZEBEL (17.020 kg Pu(95.48)-1.02Ga @ 15.61 g/cc)

neutron only calculation with prompt and delayed multiplicities and spectra

## BASIC

BASIC

neutron delayedn

## SURFACES

SURFACES

1 sphere 6.3849 \$ per Section 3.2

length in cm (default)

comments

## GEOMETRY

GEOMETRY

sector 1 alloy -1

boundary vacuum 1 ← Optional (default vacuum boundary condition)

picture cs material -7 0 7 -7 0 -7 7 0 -7

volume -7 -7 -7 7 -7 -7 -7 7 -7 14 14 14

(default resolution w/o titles)

“color” not specified (default B&W picture)

## CRITICALITY

CRITICALITY

npart=5000 nbatch=5005 sdt=0.0001 nfirst=6 norm=1.

nsources=1 0. 0. 0.

## MIX

MIX

Point-wise continuous cross-section library (nlib2 not used)

nlib=ENDFB6R7 \$ Atom Densities per Table 3

mat=1 bunches ga 1.3752-3 pu239 3.7047-2 pu240 1.7512-3 pu241 1.1674-4

atoms  $\text{b}^{-1} \text{cm}^{-1}$  (1 of 4 options)

END

Any amount of comments may follow the end flag

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# ASSIGN-MC data block (optional)

## ASSIGN-MC— Assign Plotting Colors to Materials

PICTUREs of the geometry may have areas filled with colors, which are keyed to the sector materials. See section **PICTURES of the Geometry** for information on the color option for cross-section and perspective pictures.

By default, colors are chosen by the code from a palette of 20 colors. To assign specific colors to materials, use the ASSIGN-MC statement:

```
ASSIGN-MC mat-ID#1 c1 { mat-ID#2 c2 } . . .
```

Where:

*mat-ID#<sub>1</sub>* is the *mat-ID#* to be assigned a color;

*c<sub>1</sub>* is the ASCII *color name* to be assigned to material *mat-ID#<sub>1</sub>*.

**Example:**

```
ASSIGN-MC
```

```
1 SKY          $ ASSIGN TO MATERIAL 1, COLOR SKY
```

```
2 YELLOW       $ ASSIGN TO MATERIAL 2, COLOR YELLOW
```

```
3 ROSE         $ ASSIGN TO MATERIAL 3, COLOR ROSE
```

When PICTURES are subsequently drawn, areas in the picture which represent various materials will be drawn in the specified color.

# GEOMETRY data block – SWEEP (optional)

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## The SWEEP Statement

The SWEEP statement sweeps a line through the user's geometry between two specified points. All sectors and their boundary surfaces which intersect the SWEEP line will be listed in the output file, along with the distance of each intercept from the "start" point. This statement is very helpful in analyzing the exact COG placement of surfaces in a complex region of the geometry.

The format is:

**SWEEP  $x_0$   $y_0$   $z_0$   $x_1$   $y_1$   $z_1$**

where:

$x_0$   $y_0$   $z_0$  represents the starting point of the sweep;

$x_1$   $y_1$   $z_1$  represents the ending point of sweep.

# GEOMETRY data block – SWEEP

*Example of a SWEEP statement:*

```
SWEEP 5. -10. 3.9813    15. -10. 3.9813
```

*Example of the output of the above statement:*

```
SWEEP  5.      -10.      3.9813    15.      -10.      3.9813
```

| X          | Y           | Z          | DIST       | CROSS<br>SURF | LEAVE<br>SECTOR | NAME  | MAT | LEV |
|------------|-------------|------------|------------|---------------|-----------------|-------|-----|-----|
| 5.0000E+00 | -1.0000E+01 | 3.9813E+00 |            |               |                 |       |     |     |
| 6.2221E+00 | -1.0000E+01 | 3.9813E+00 | 1.2221E+00 | 40            | 0               | FILL  | 0   | 0   |
| 7.1783E+00 | -1.0000E+01 | 3.9813E+00 | 2.1783E+00 | 30            | 104             | SPH4  | 1   | 0   |
| 8.2789E+00 | -1.0000E+01 | 3.9813E+00 | 3.2789E+00 | 20            | 103             | SPH3  | 6   | 0   |
| 9.4000E+00 | -1.0000E+01 | 3.9813E+00 | 4.4000E+00 | 91            | 0               | FILL  | 0   | 1   |
| 9.6434E+00 | -1.0000E+01 | 3.9813E+00 | 4.6434E+00 | 92            | 911             | SPHU1 | 2   | 1   |
| 9.8009E+00 | -1.0000E+01 | 3.9813E+00 | 4.8009E+00 | 93            | 0               | FILL  | 0   | 2   |
| 1.0199E+01 | -1.0000E+01 | 3.9813E+00 | 5.1991E+00 | 93            | 201             | SPH5  | 3   | 2   |
| 1.0356E+01 | -1.0000E+01 | 3.9813E+00 | 5.3565E+00 | 92            | 0               | FILL  | 0   | 2   |
| 1.0600E+01 | -1.0000E+01 | 3.9813E+00 | 5.6000E+00 | 91            | 911             | SPHU1 | 2   | 1   |
| 1.1721E+01 | -1.0000E+01 | 3.9813E+00 | 6.7210E+00 | 20            | 0               | FILL  | 0   | 1   |
| 1.2000E+01 | -1.0000E+01 | 3.9813E+00 | 7.0000E+00 | 52            | 103             | SPH3  | 6   | 0   |
| 1.2037E+01 | -1.0000E+01 | 3.9813E+00 | 7.0374E+00 | 60            | 0               | FILL  | 0   | 0   |
| 1.2822E+01 | -1.0000E+01 | 3.9813E+00 | 7.8217E+00 | 30            | 109             | CONE1 | 5   | 0   |
| 1.3778E+01 | -1.0000E+01 | 3.9813E+00 | 8.7779E+00 | 40            | 109             | CONE1 | 5   | 0   |
| 1.4000E+01 | -1.0000E+01 | 3.9813E+00 | 9.0000E+00 | 60            | 109             | CONE1 | 5   | 0   |
| 1.5000E+01 | -1.0000E+01 | 3.9813E+00 | 1.0000E+01 | 0             | 0               | FILL  | 0   | 0   |

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# GEOMETRY data block – VOLUME

## VOLUME Calculations

COG can compute the VOLUME of user's sectors. In this option, you specify a box-shaped volume within your geometry. COG performs a Monte Carlo calculation of the volume and the mass of each MATERIAL, REGION, or SECTOR within that box. This can be an expensive calculation, but it is also the best method for finding errors associated with overlapping sectors. It is the only way to detect geometry errors which result in volume or mass discrepancies from the original physical model. You may request any number of VOLUME calculations. Each VOLUME specification has this form:

**VOLUME**  $\left[ \begin{array}{l} \text{SECTOR or SEC or S} \\ \text{MATERIAL or MAT or M} \\ \text{REGION or REG or R} \end{array} \right] \{RES \ nres\} x_0 \ y_0 \ z_0 \ x_1 \ y_1 \ z_1$   
 $x_2 \ y_2 \ z_2 \ length-x' \ length-y' \ length-z' \ \{TITLE = "..."\}$

where:

**SECTOR** (or **MATERIAL** or **REGION**) (or the shorter aliases) specifies what volume will be determined;

$x_0, y_0, z_0$  is a point in the reference corner of the box (in problem coordinates);

$x_1, y_1, z_1$  is any point along one edge, or its extension, of the box. This, along with the reference corner, defines the +x'-axis;

$x_2, y_2, z_2$  is any point along another edge, or its extension, of the box. This, along with the reference corner, defines the y'-axis. The z'-axis is constructed to form a right-handed box coordinate system;

$length-x'$ ,  $length-y'$ , and  $length-z'$  are the lengths of the defined box along each of the three box axes;

**RES nres** specifies an optional higher precision for the volume calculation (*nres* a positive integer). When *nres* is specified, the standard error of the calculation is decreased by a factor of  $1/\sqrt{nres}$ .

**RES allows users to increase the precision of the volume calculation**

# MIX Data Block

## Four options:

Format of a **MIX** Data Block, showing the alternative means of specifying component amounts by <sup>1</sup>density, <sup>2</sup>atomic fraction, <sup>3</sup>weight percent/fraction, and bunches <sup>4</sup>(atoms/barn-cm). Weight percent and atom fraction are relative values (unnormalized).

<sup>1</sup> **MIX**  
**MAT = mat-ID#<sub>1</sub>**  
*component-1 density-1*  
*{component-2 density -2 }*  
...

<sup>2</sup> **MAT = mat-ID#<sub>2</sub>**  
**ATOM-FRACTION** *material-density*  
*component-1 atom-fraction-1*  
*{component-2 atom-fraction-2 }*  
...

<sup>3</sup> **MAT = mat-ID#<sub>3</sub>**  
**WEIGHT-PERCENT** *material-density*  
*component-1 weight-percent-1*  
*{component-2 weight-percent-2 }*  
...

<sup>4</sup> **MAT = mat-ID#<sub>4</sub>**  
**BUNCHES**  
*component-1 bunches-1*  
*{component-2 bunches-2 }*  
...  
**{NLIB = libname}**

# MIX Data Block – Component Name Options

1134 COGLEX dictionary entries *for*

## Isotopes

- ♦ 26056 – ZAID
- ♦ Fe56 – Isotope name
- ♦ Iron56 – Alternate name

Some codes require a user to specify 13+ isotopes for SS304 !!

## Elements

- ♦ 26000 – ZAID
- ♦ Fe – Chemical name (natural abundance of isotopes)
- ♦ Iron – Alternate name

## Compounds

- ♦ SS304

COG will build up elements from isotopes and compounds from elements.

# MIX Data Block – NLIB Statement

## Mix and match nuclear data libraries

### Secondary Neutron Libraries (NLIB2 and NLIB3)

COG has the capability of reading from a second and/or third neutron data file. To use this option insert statement(s) of the following form:

**NLIB2 = *filename2 isotope2.1 isotope2.2 ...***

**NLIB3 = *filename3 isotope3.1 isotope3.2 ...***

where:

*filename2, filename3* are names of COG neutron libraries

(e.g., ENDL90);

*isotope2.1 isotope2.2 ...* are the names (or ZAIDs) of the desired isotopes to be read from the specified library.

*Examples of NLIB2/NLIB3 option:*

MIX

→ NLIB ENDFB6R7  
→ NLIB2 RED2002 SN  
→ NLIB3 ENDL90 AL27  
MAT 1 U235 10.  
MAT 2 AL 1. SN 1.

# MIX Data Block – SABLIB Statement

**Mixtures may have multiple S(a,b) specifications.**

Example: MAT=1 w-p 1.85 (be) 98 (beo) 2

## Material Names that Invoke S(a,b) Thermal Neutron Cross Sections

| Component Name | Treat as if it were:  |
|----------------|-----------------------|
| (C6H6)         | H and C bound in C6H6 |
| (H.CH2)        | H bound in CH2        |
| (H.H2O)        | H bound in H2O        |
| (H.ZrH)        | H bound in ZrH        |
| (D.D2O)        | D bound in D2O        |
| (Be)           | Be metal              |
| (BeO)          | Be and O bound in BeO |
| (C)            | C as graphite         |
| (O.UO2)        | O bound in UO2        |
| (Zr.ZrH)       | Zr bound in ZrH       |

# SURFACE Data Block – REVOLUTION

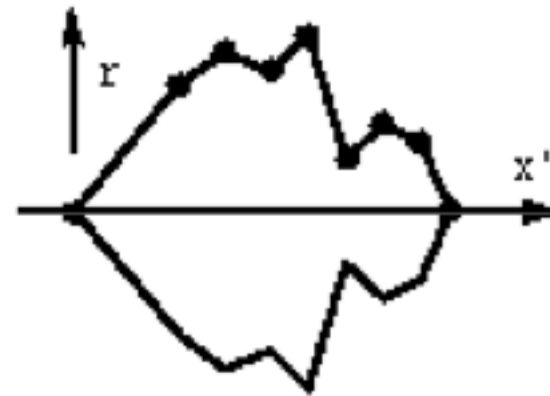
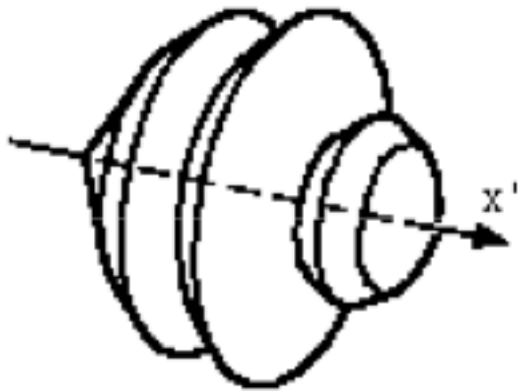
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**Curve Made of Straight-Line Segments Rotated About the X'-axis**

$surf-ID\# \begin{bmatrix} \text{REVOLUTION} \\ \text{REV} \\ \text{R} \end{bmatrix} \text{ number-points } x'_1 r'_1 \quad x'_2 r'_2 \quad \dots x'_n r'_n$   
 (TR ....)

OR  
 $surf-ID\# \begin{bmatrix} \text{REVOLUTION} \\ \text{REV} \\ \text{R} \end{bmatrix} \text{ number-points POLAR } r_1 q_1 \quad r_2 q_2 \quad \dots r_n q_n$   
 (TR ....)

# SURFACE Data Block – REVOLUTION



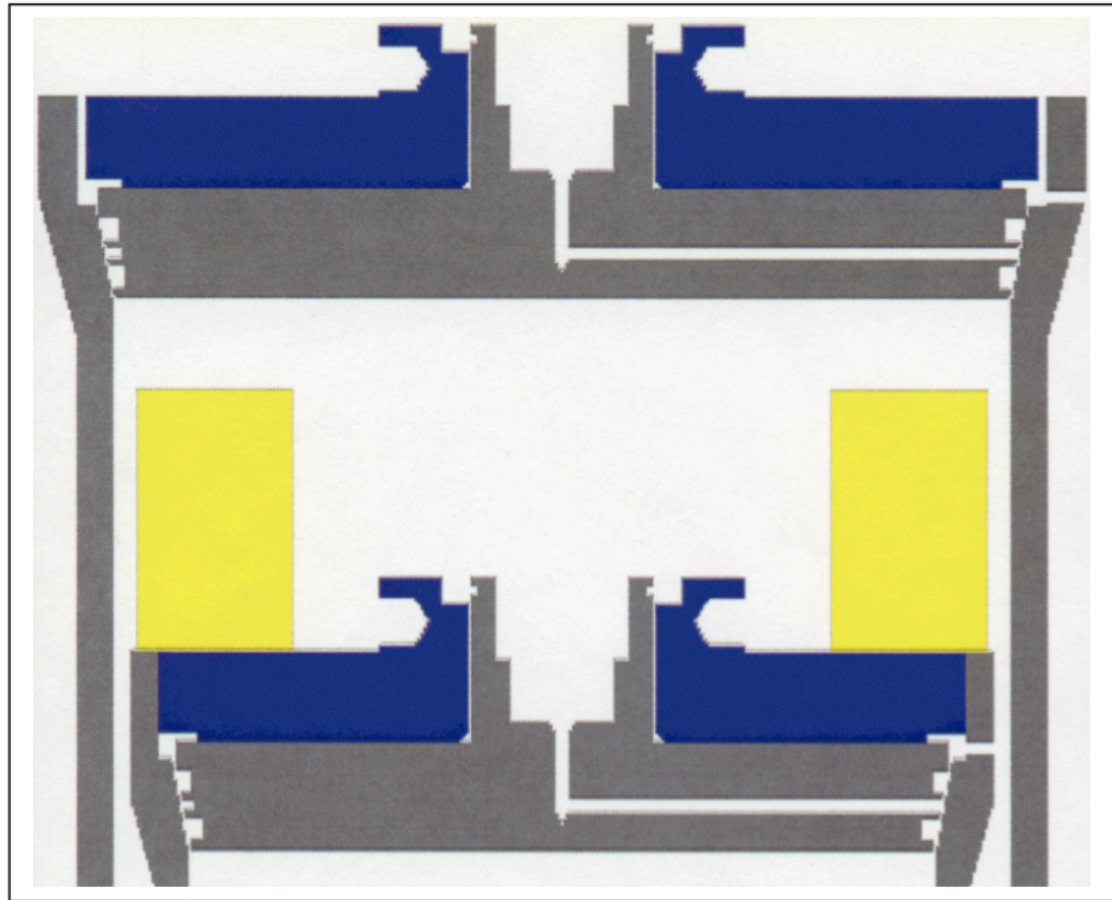
*Example of a Surface of Revolution defined by seven pairs of points.*

```
64 REVOLUTION 7  -2.4 0  -2.3999 1.5  -2 2.3  0 2.3
                0.5 1.0  1.7 1.0  2.4 0      TR 37.5 -2.5 0
```

# SURFACE Data Block – REVOLUTION

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**COG model of the containment vessels of the 9975 Type B shipping container**



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# SURFACE Data Block – PRISM

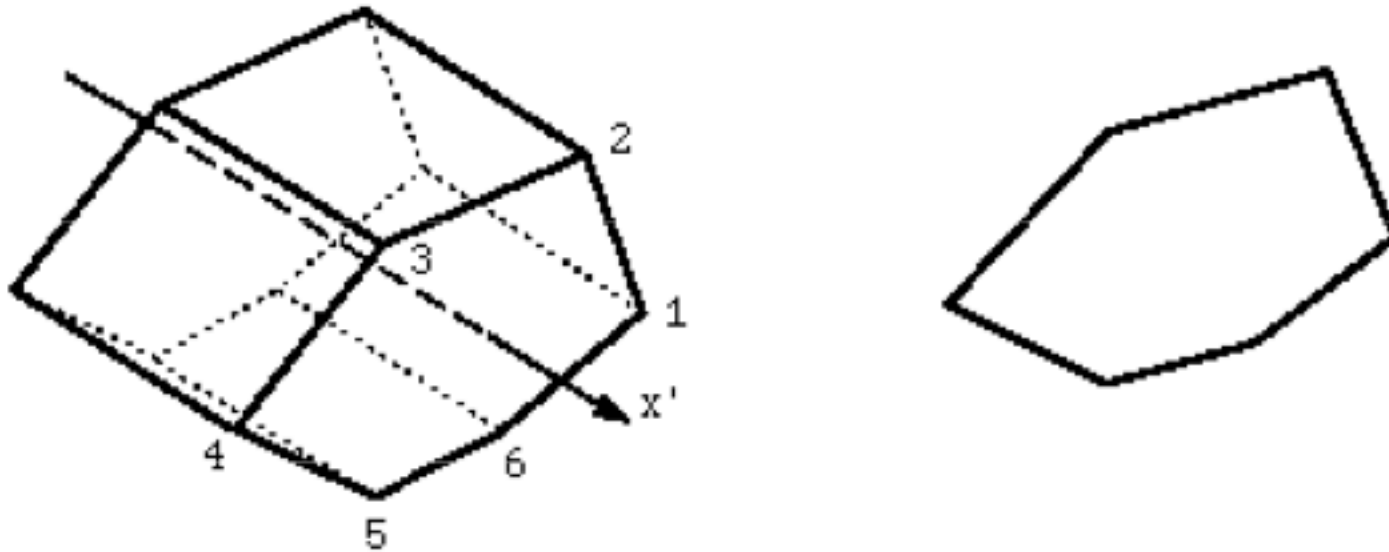
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## Right Prism

A general right prism with its axis parallel to the  $x'$ -axis is specified by:

$$\text{surf-ID\#} \begin{bmatrix} \text{PRISM} \\ \text{PRI} \end{bmatrix} \text{ number-points } y'_1 z'_1 \ y'_2 z'_2 \ \dots \ y'_n z'_n$$
$$\{x'_{b1} \ x'_{b2}\} \ (TR \ \dots)$$

# SURFACE Data Block – PRISM



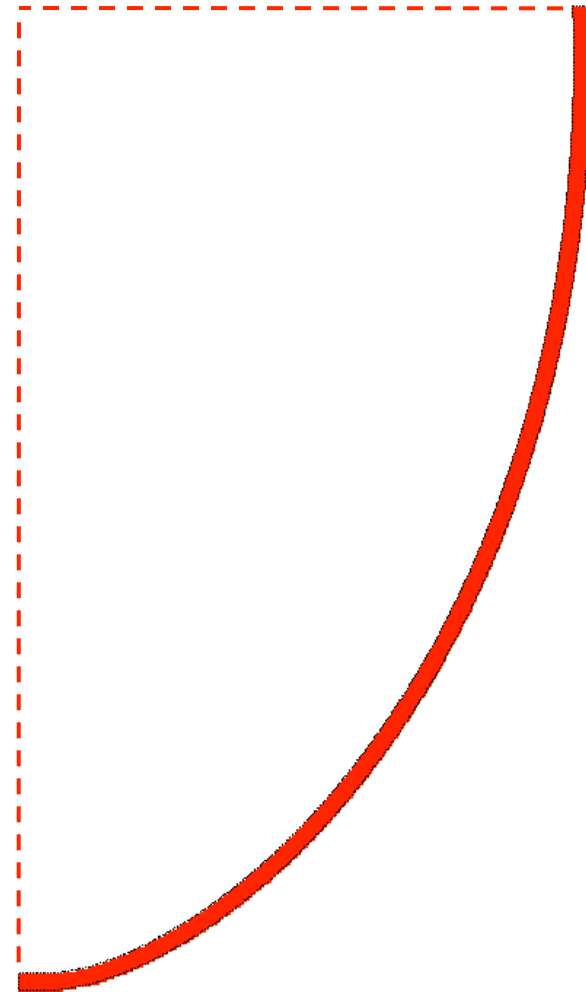
*Example of a PRISM of six points located at  $(y' z') = (4 \ 0)$ ,  $(3 \ 4)$ ,  $(-2 \ 4)$ ,  $(-4 \ 2)$ ,  $(-3 \ -1)$ ,  $(0 \ -2)$ . Via a TR command, the prism is translated to a new origin  $(-3 \ -6 \ 0)$ , and rotated to point along the z-axis.*

```
15 PRISM 6 4 0 3 4 -2 4 -4 2 -3 -1 0 -2
      TR -3 -6 0 -3 -6 1
```

# SURFACE Data Block – PRISM – Example

## COG model of an involute shape

```
$ -----  
1 prism 40 $ Involute of a circle with 2.7215-inch radius  
$           with (Y,Z) pairs and arclength (inner)  
$ -----  
0.2604500E+01 0.5000000E-01 $ Xtra-Endpoint  
0.2604501E+01 0.0000000E+00 $ Non-Involute  
0.2721500E+01 0.0000000E+00 $ 0.0000000E+00  
0.2819670E+01 0.1794009E-01 $ 0.1000000E+00  
0.2914211E+01 0.5036954E-01 $ 0.2000000E+00  
0.3005166E+01 0.9185364E-01 $ 0.3000000E+00  
0.3092581E+01 0.1403748E+00 $ 0.4000000E+00  
0.3176498E+01 0.1947296E+00 $ 0.5000000E+00  
0.3256962E+01 0.2540825E+00 $ 0.6000000E+00  
0.3334016E+01 0.3178036E+00 $ 0.7000000E+00  
0.3407702E+01 0.3853928E+00 $ 0.8000000E+00  
0.3478064E+01 0.4564385E+00 $ 0.9000000E+00  
0.3545142E+01 0.5305926E+00 $ 0.1000000E+01  
  
. . . . .  
  
0.4259705E+01 0.2364418E+01 $ 0.3000000E+01  
0.4267066E+01 0.2464144E+01 $ 0.3100000E+01  
0.4271997E+01 0.2564020E+01 $ 0.3200000E+01  
0.4274534E+01 0.2663986E+01 $ 0.3300000E+01  
0.4274711E+01 0.2763983E+01 $ 0.3400000E+01  
0.4272564E+01 0.2863958E+01 $ 0.3500000E+01  
0.4272258E+01 0.2872953E+01 $ 0.3509000E+01  
0.4222289E+01 0.2871201E+01 $ Xtra-Endpoint  
-100. 100.
```



# GEOMETRY Data Block – UNIT

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In the definition of a DEFINE UNIT, you can USE one or more other DEFINE UNITS. Thus, UNIT 4 could be defined as:

```
DEFINE UNIT 4
  SECTOR      17  BB1  . . .
  SECTOR      18  BB2  . . .
  USE UNIT 30 unit30  -300      TRU  0 112. -22.
  . . .
  FILL        3
```

The user would, of course, have to provide a definition for UNIT 30. UNITS may be nested 50 levels deep. When an error occurs in the geometric setup, the level number is also printed in the resulting fatal error statement. In COG terminology, level-0 is the level of the normal problem geometry. If a particle enters a UNIT USED in the level-0 geometry, it passes to level-1. If the particle enters another UNIT nested within the first one, it passes to level-2, etc.

# GEOMETRY Data Block – FILL

In the definition of a DEFINE UNIT, you can USE one or more other DEFINE UNITS. Thus, UNIT 4 could be defined as:

```
DEFINE UNIT 4
  SECTOR      17  BB1  . . .
  SECTOR      18  BB2  . . .
  USE UNIT 30  unit30  -300    TRU  0 112. -22.
  . . .
  FILL        3
```

Not having to specify all sectors (e.g., air) can be a huge time saver !!

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**Each unit may specify a different FILL material, which is different from the overall problem FILL specification. The default FILL is “void”.**

# SURFACE Data Block – TR

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## Translation and Rotation (TR) of Surfaces and Units

To place a surface in an orientation or location other than its initial one, the user must add to the surface specification a TR (translation/ rotation) specification of the form:

**TR  $x0\ y0\ z0\ (x1\ y1\ z1)\ (x2\ y2\ z2)$**

**$x0\ y0\ z0$**  is the new origin. This is the translation part of the specification.

**$x1\ y1\ z1$**  is any point on the new positive x-axis. This is the first rotation.

**$x2\ y2\ z2$**  is any point on the new positive y-axis. This is the second rotation.

# On-going R&D

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COG11 is nearing completion


- More physics
- More data libraries
- More geometry enhancements
- More user-friendly features
- RSICC release planned in conjunction with **ICNC2011**




# Conclusion

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- Give COG a try!
- LLNL is available to provide user support and training
- <http://cog.llnl.gov>

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